

Board of Boiler Rules Meeting and Public Hearing Minutes
August 24, 2016
Department of Labor & Industries, Tacoma, WA

Board Members:

Terry Chapin, Chair
Jeff Barnes
Si Carroll
Jeff Waytashek
Lisa Hawkins
Tony Oda, Secretary

Other Attendees:

Michael Carlson, State of Washington
Calista Shoblom, State of Washington
Alicia Curry, State of Washington
Larry Leet, City of Seattle

- * Attended Study Session only
- ** Attended Board Meeting only

Due to the limited agenda items, there was no study session conducted for this scheduled Board of Boiler Rules Meeting.

The Board of Boiler Rules meeting was called to order by the Chair on August 24, 2016 at 10:10 a.m.

The Board of Boiler Rules Public Hearing regarding the 4.32% fee increase in WAC 296-104-700 was held on August 24, 2016, from 10:10 a.m. to 11:16 a.m.

After conclusion of the Public Hearing portion of the meeting, The Board of Boiler Rules meeting was called to order by the Chair on August 24, 2016 at 10:17 a.m. Introductions were made by the board members and guests attending the meeting.

Agenda Item 1.

The meeting agenda was reviewed and approved as written.

Agenda Item 2.

The minutes from the May 24, 2016 meeting were reviewed and approved as written.

Agenda Item 3.

A Public Hearing session was initiated by the Chair at 10:10 a.m. and held to allow for public comment on the following proposed WAC revisions:

Chapter 70.79 RCW – WAC Changes
WAC 296-104-700 Fee Increase

Propose a fee increase of 4.32% for fiscal year 2017 (OFM's maximum allowable fiscal growth rate). The Boiler Program's budget and projected revenue indicate a fee increase is necessary to cover the program's operating expenses for the coming 2017-2019 biennium.

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Attached is the official court reporter meeting minutes for the August 24, 2016, public hearing. The Board received no public comments during the public hearing. The proposed WAC 296-104-700 revision listed above were reviewed and unanimously approved by the board. The new fees will be effective October 1, 2016 and published on the boiler website and in the revised October 2016 hardcopy publication of the boiler law. The Public Hearing portion of the meeting was closed at 10:16 a.m.

Agenda Item 4.

WAC 296-104-010 Department withdrawals request for WAC revision – Addition of definition of surgery centers to place of public assembly

The revision to add “ambulatory surgery centers” to the definition of “Place of Public Assembly” was proposed at the May 25, 2016 Board meeting by the department, this request was made on behalf of some inservice inspectors concerns that these types of facilities should be inspected and be under the scope of the public assembly definition. After much discussion, the board asked if potential stakeholder’s input had been obtained. The department said they did not obtain such input, and this item was tabled until next meeting for further research and input from stakeholders.

At today’s meeting the department presented an update on their research they conducted since the May meeting. The department found that any ASME Code required boilers/pressure vessels (steam generators/autoclaves) typically found at these locations were already on our database. The only items we would gain would be the domestic water heaters in smaller clinics or office buildings, which would not fit as a place of public assembly.

Based on the above conclusion, the department withdraws the revision request for WAC 296-104-010. The board subsequently accepted the department’s withdrawal of this revision request.

Agenda Item 5.

Department Notes:

Information notice:

Tony Oda was elected as a member at large for the Board of Trustees for the National Board in May 2016.

Craig Hopkins, Seattle Boiler Works, was voted in as a representative of NB “R” stamp holders on the Advisory Board for the Board of Trustees in August 2016.

Meeting adjourned at 10:43 a.m.